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U.S. Army Chemical Materials Agency Fact Sheet

The mission of the U.S. Army Chemical Materials Agency is to protect, safely store and destroy aging chemical weapons while working toward the effective recovery, treatment and ultimate elimination of the nation's chemical warfare materiel.

The agency's headquarters' management team, as well as scientific, communications and support staff, are based at the Edgewood Area of the Aberdeen Proving Ground in Maryland, while other dedicated managers and staff fulfill the agency's mission from weapons storage and disposal sites at locations across the country.

CMA has two mission areas: safe chemical weapons destruction and secure chemical stockpile storage. Under the destruction mission, the agency has two projects: the Chemical Stockpile Elimination Project, which manages the safe treatment and disposal of a portion of the nation's stored chemical weapons; and the Non-Stockpile Chemical Materiel Project, which leads the nation in development and use of advanced technology to safely eliminate America's remaining non-stockpile chemical materiel in a safe, environmentally sound and cost-effective manner.

CMA also is responsible for safe storage of the nation's chemical weapons stockpile pending its ultimate destruction. The agency manages a National Inventory Control Point and National Maintenance Point to ensure the stockpile is maintained safely during its remaining storage life.

Through the Chemical Stockpile Emergency Preparedness Program, CMA partners with the Department of Homeland Security and officials from seven states to ensure emergency response agencies and residents in communities near stockpile sites are able to respond appropriately in the unlikely event of a serious chemical incident.

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